

VISION 2020 FISCAL RESOURCES TASK GROUP

Meeting Minutes 10/16/14

Town Hall Annex 1st Floor

ATTENDEES: Gordon Jamieson (Co-Chair), David Garbarino (Co-Chair), Heather Remoff, Brian Hasbrouck, Pete Howard (Secretary)

COMMERCIAL LAND ASSESSMENTS: Mary Winstanley O'Connor had sent data for Mass Ave & Broadway. Gordon will recover & distribute. A first step would be to compute & plot land assessments per unit area by street number. An initial assumption is that there should be similar values for businesses and residential properties.

MASS AVE/ROUTE 60 INTERSECTION REBUILD: This pending project was discussed. Members have heard that parking meters are being considered. Details of the plan can be found at:
arlingtonma.gov/home/showdocument?id=1965

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL PLAN & VISUAL BUDGET: We reviewed the FRTG's previous work on these documents: a review and recommendations on the first (based on the FY14 edition) and development of an initial version of the second. We plan to review these in the spring when the FY16 version becomes available.

FINANCIAL REORGANIZATION: We discussed the proposal developed by the Town Manager in 2012 which was not supported by the BoS during the 2013 Town Meeting. Perhaps, given recent development in the Assessor's Office, this plan should be reconsidered. Gordon will invite the Town Manager to attend a future meeting to discuss this possibility.

AHS RENNOVATION: We discussed the status of this project and the possible funding within the capital plan. Fiscal leaders have said that an override is more likely. This topic may be beyond the FRTG's charter. Background info is posted at:

<http://www.arlington.k12.ma.us/administration/ahsfacilities/>

NEXT MEETING: Nov 20th - Meetings held monthly - 3rd Thursdays 7:30 PM - Senior Center Ground Floor